SECOND

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OF THE

PHILADELPHIA ORPHAN SOCIETY.

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1817.

THE second annual meeting of the Orphan Society of Philadelphia was held at the Masonic Hall on the seventh day of January, 1817. The Orphans were present, and the Rev. Dr. Brodhead opened the meeting with prayer, after which the following report was read:—

REPORT.

THE annual meeting of the Orphan Society, of Philadelphia, renders it necessary for the Board of Managers to communicate the transactions of the past year. In offering their Second Report, the Managers have great pleasure in contemplating the continued prosperity of the Institution, and a considerable accession to the number of its friends and patrons.

There have been admitted, since the last report, eleven children, and as no deaths have occured, the present number of orphans at the Asylum is thirty-six. They have in general enjoyed good health, but from increasing num-

bers it has been considered necessary to accept the services of two physicians to co-operate with Dr. Rush and Dr. Dorsey, who have hitherto taken charge of the medical department. Dr. Hewson and Dr. Otto have obligingly consented to share in those duties.

The Managers have to acknowledge, with gratitude, the liberality of many individuals in behalf of the infant institution committed to their charge. This liberality has been manifested in donations of money, provisions, and various useful articles; but particularly they have to notice, the most seasonable aid derived by the receipt of Five Thousand Dollars from Thomas Montgomery and George Latimer, Esqs. Executors of the estate of Robert Montgomery, deceased, being a part of funds placed at the discretion of these gentlemen for charitable purposes, and without which, the heavy expense attending a large edifice erecting for an Asylum, might have produced difficulty; indeed the providential interposition so conspicuous in this extraordinary instance of munificence, is calculated to excite a continued trust in the orphan's Father, and entitles the worthy donors to the lasting gratitude of the Society.

The building which has been referred to as

an Asylum, is nearly completed, as will appear by a communication from the gentlemen who have acted as a Building Committee, and which will be considered as an appendix to this Report.

The importance of a large area around the Asylum, as it respects a free circulation of air, and employment to the children in cultivating a garden, induced the Managers to avail themselves of an opportunity which presented, to purchase an adjoining lot of forty feet, in addition to the ninety feet heretofore granted as a donation. This gives a front of one hundred and thirty feet on Cherry street, and a depth of one hundred and thirty-four feet to a street in the rear of the building.

The great success which has attended the Lancasterian system of education, rendered it desirable to introduce this mode of instruction into the Asylum; it has been in practice for eleven months, under the direction of an Instructress, and the improvement of the children has answered the expectation of the Managers.

The uniform attention and good judgment of the matron and her assistant, merit and receive the entire approbation of the Managers.

Employment has been regularly given to the children in various ways, in order that they may be trained up in habits of industry.

The Treasurer's account herewith submitted exhibits a balance in favour of the Society of forty-one dollars. The necessity of an augmentation of the funds, both for the support of a large increasing family, and for the completion of the Asylum, will be very obvious. A generous public has not been backward in liberality and patronage towards an Institution which has not yet been two years in existence; but when the design and importance of the object is considered, that of the care and instruction of fatherless and motherless children, there can be no doubt entertained of the supplies necessary to its support.

In concluding this Report, the Managers, with heart-felt gratitude, offer the tribute of thanksgiving and praise to Almighty God who has hitherto smiled on their exertions. They beg leave also to call upon the friends of the Institution for their continued and liberal support; for although much has been done, much still remains to be accomplished, and this can only be effected by the same beneficence which has hitherto been so nobly exercised.

DR. *The Orphan Society of Philadelphia in account with Mary Yorke, Treasurer.* CR.

To Cash	paid the Building Committee, being collections for the new Asylum,	$ 329	4	By balance from last year,	$ 345	97
Do.	paid at sundry times to committee for procuring supplies to the Asylum, being expended for provisions, clothing, wood, &c.	1600		By Cash received for annual contributions and donations, since last settlement,	2732	9
Do.	paid one year's rent of the Asylum,	150		By do. for interest on funded debt of the United States,	339	73
Do.	paid Matron's Salary,	112	50	By do. from the guardians of the poor, for boarding of children,	338	39
Do.	invested in funded debt of the United States,	1485				
To error	rectified in two sums credited in former accounts	38				
	Balance due the Society,	41	64			
		$ 3756	18		$ 3756	18

Philadelphia, Dec. 23, 1817. (Errors Excepted) MARY YORKE, *Treasurer.*

The Committee appointed to settle the Treasurer's Account of the Orphan Society, do find the same to be correct, leaving a balance of forty-one dollars and sixty-four cents, in favour of the Society.

(Signed) H. MARKOE,
A. L. EYRE,
M. LATIMER.

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1817.

First Directress,
MRS. SARAH RALSTON.

Second Directress,
MRS. JULIA RUSH.

Treasurer,
*MRS. HITTY MARKOE.

Secretary,
MRS. MARIA DORSEY.

MANAGERS.

Mrs. Julia Rush,
Mrs. Sarah Ralston,
Mrs. Abigail H. Warder,
Mrs. Sarah Henry,
Mrs. Mary Richards,
Mrs. Mary Yorke,
Mrs. Susanna Latimer,
Mrs. Lætitia Buchanan,
Mrs. John Markoe,
Mrs. Deborah Malcom,
Mrs. Elizabeth Haskins,
Mrs. Maria Hodge,
Mrs. Ann L. Eyre,
Mrs. Eliza Denman,
Mrs. Maria Dorsey,
Miss Rebecca Gratz,
Miss Williamina E. Smith,
Miss Rebecca Ralston,
Miss Julia Rush,
Miss Elizabeth Abercrombie,
Miss Margaret Latimer,
Miss Hannah Parke,
Miss Sarah Bacon,
Miss Jane H. Philips.

* In place of Mrs. Mary Yorke, who declined being re-elected.

Report of the Building Committee.

The undersigned acting as a Building Committee for the Orphan Asylum, beg leave to offer to the Managers, a statement of their Treasurer's account, by which it will appear that there has been received for the use of the building, including interest on stock, the sum of fourteen thousand and eighty-one dollars and fourteen cents, and that there has been expended for the same, the sum of nine thousand five hundred and eighty-seven dollars and seventy-three cents, leaving a balance in hand, of two hundred and three dollars and ninety-one cents, in money, and in funded debt of the United States bearing an interest of six per cent. per annum, to the nominal amount of four thousand four hundred and sixteen dollars and sixty-seven cents.

The bills for materials and workmanship eventually to be provided for, it is believed, will considerably exceed the funds in hands, but until their demands arrive at maturity, it is proper that the funds should be productive, and therefore, an investment has been made in the stock of the United States.

For the information of the Managers, the Building Committee beg leave further to state, that the building is so far in a state of forwardness, that all the work in the interior which remains to be done, may be completed, and the house prepared for occupancy in about three weeks. The portico and front steps may be completed in all the month of January. The iron railing in front of the house, it is advised to defer putting up until early in the spring, as otherwise, the frost might affect the building of the wall.

SAMUEL WETHERILL,
SAMUEL RICHARDS,
SAMUEL ARCHER,
ROBERT RALSTON.

Philadelphia, Dec. 23, 1816.

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A donation from Thomas Montgomery and George Latimer, Esqrs. executors of the last Will and Testament of Robert Montgomery, Esq. deceased, out of the residuary sum of his estate, .	$ 5000	00
John Markoe, ...	50	00
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Curtis Taylor and Isaiah Evans, a donation of a large circular ornament in the ceiling of the Hall at the Asylum.		

DONATIONS

OF

VARIOUS ARTICLES, RECEIVED AT THE ORPHAN ASYLUM DURING THE LAST YEAR.

Mr. Kemper, six prayer books.
Miss Gratz, fourteen bushels of potatoes and two bags of apples.
Mrs. James Yard, a barrel of sugar.
Master Henry Etting, two books, "Miss Edgworth's Popular Tales."
Mrs. Moyes, six bags of potatoes.
Miss Lyle, six pieces of calico.
Mrs. J. Mifflin, some flat irons, &c. &c.
Mrs. Ralston, fruit, vegetables, fish, &c. &c. at sundry times.
Mr. James Hamilton, a large quantity of vegetables.
Mr. John Downing, a tierce of rice.
Mr. John Vaughan, a barrel of rice.
Mrs. Clark, some pins and coloured cotton.
Mrs. Eyre, poultry, fruit, &c. at sundry times.
Mrs. Rush, fruit at different times.
Mrs. John Warder, twenty bushels of potatoes.
Mrs. Malcolm, some pewter.
Mrs. Markoe, fruit and vegetables at sundry times.
Mrs. T. Wharton, a barrel of apples.
Miss Anna P. Smith, a piece of calico.
Mrs. Hazard, some pewter.
Mrs. Levi Hollingsworth, some pewter.
From a Gentleman, two cart loads of cabbages and some turnips.
Mrs. S. W. Comly and others, twenty-six flannel bed-gowns.
Mrs. Clapier, a piece of Russia sheeting and twenty bushels of potatoes.
Mr. Bastian, a box of soap.
Mrs. Richards, two flannel bed-gowns.
Mr. Gilbert Gaw, two dozen windsor chairs.

THE

FORM OF A BEQUEST

TO THE

ORPHAN SOCIETY OF PHILADELPHIA.

A MONEY LEGACY.

"I give and bequeath unto *The Orphan Society of Philadelphia*, the sum of to be paid to the Treasurer for the time being for the use of the said Society."

DEVISE OF REAL ESTATE AND GROUND RENTS.

"I give and devise unto *The Orphan Society of Philadelphia*, (here describe the property or ground rent) together with the appurtenances, in fee simple."